GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Elections - General Elections to House of People (Lok Sabha) and Andhra Pradesh State Legislative Assembly, 2019 – Declaration of Holiday on Polling Day on 11.04.2019 (Thursday), Counting Day on 23.05.2019 (Thursday) - Orders- Issued.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS.A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 799 Dated: 04-04-2019

Read the following:-

1. From the ECI, New Delhi, Press Note.No.ECI/PN/23/2019, Dt.10.03.2019.
2. From the E.C.I., Lr.No.78/2019/EPS,Dt.22-03-2019.

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ORDER:

According to the election schedule announced by the Election Commission of India, vide reference first read above, the General Elections to House of People (Lok Sabha) and Andhra Pradesh State Legislative Assembly, 2019 will be held on 11.04.2019 (Thursday) in one phase for 25 Parliamentary Constituencies and 175 Assembly Constituencies of 13 districts of the Andhra Pradesh State.

2. Hence, the State Government hereby authorize all the Collectors & District Election Officers in the State to declare local holiday on the day before the day of poll i.e., on 10.04.2019 (Wednesday) and day of poll i.e., 11.04.2019(Thursday) as the case may be, in the areas of the aforesaid Parliamentary Constituencies/ Assembly Constituencies in connection with the conduct of poll as large number of Public Buildings, including Educational Institutions and other buildings will be utilized for the purpose of setting up of the polling stations and distribution centers in connection with conduct of General Elections to the House of Parliament and Andhra Pradesh State Legislative Assembly,2019. Similarly all the Collectors & District Election Officers are authorized to declare a local holiday on the day fixed for counting i.e., on 23.05.2019 (Thursday), if necessary. On local holidays, the Treasuries and Sub-Treasuries in the District will, however, function.

3. Government also direct, that,

(i) the Labour, Employment Training & Factories Department to declare a paid holiday on the day of poll i.e., 11.04.2019 (Thursday) as the case may be, if there is no holiday under the A.P Factories and Establishments Act, 1974 (Act No.32/1974) and A.P Shops and Establishments Act, 1988 read with the provisions Laid down in Section 135-B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 so as to enable the workers to exercise their franchise. Regarding the industrial Undertakings / Establishments which are working on shift during which the poll is to be taken, it is clarified that a holiday may be declared only for the shift during which the poll is to be taken, in view of the clarification issued by the Election Commission of India, in its letter No.78/99/PLN-1,Dt:06.04.1999.

(ii) the Commissioner of Labour, A.P., to declare a closed holiday on the day of poll i.e. 11.04.2019 (Thursday), as the case may be, if there is no holiday under the A.P., Shops and Establishments Act, 1988 (Act 20/1988) read with provisions laid down in Section 135-B (4) of R.P. Act, 1951, so as to enable the electors working in such shops, establishments to exercise their franchise;

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(iii) the Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils and other Local Bodies and every University established by central or State Act may also observe local holidays to be declared by the Collectors & District Election Officers, as authorized by the Government, on the day of poll i.e., 11.04.2019 (Thursday), as the case may be;

4. The Government also direct that, as clarified by the Commission vide their letter second read above, in the case of employees who are ordinarily resident in the area of Parliamentary Constituencies/Assembly Constituencies where poll on 11.04.2019 (Thursday), as the case may be, but having the place of work outside the Constituency area, and the date of poll being different in respect of the place of residence, those electors including casual workers working outside the Constituency concerned would be entitled to the benefit of a paid holiday extended under the section 135B(1) of the Representation of the people Act, 1951, although his/her office does not happen to be closed on that particular day .The daily wage/casual workers are also entitled for a holiday and wages on poll day as provided in Section135B of the Representation of People Act, 1951.

(BY ORDER IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL CHANDRA PUNETHA
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
All Collectors & District Election Officers in the State.
The Higher Education Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The School Education Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Labour, Employment, Training & Factories Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner of Labour, A.P.

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The Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad.
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The Secretary, Legislature, Assembly Buildings,Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER